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Delaware Horticulture Sales Up 6%

DOVER, DE --- Delaware producers reported \$23.1 million in sales in 2019, according to Shareefah Williams, state statistician of the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), Delaware Field Office. This Census of Horticulture found considerable growth compared to the 2014 Horticulture Census total of \$21.8 million in sales.

Delaware had 48 horticultural operations that sold \$23.1 million in horticultural products in 2019, compared to 51 horticultural operations that sold \$21.8 million in horticultural products in 2014. Horticulture producers in Delaware had \$15.5 million in total production expenses in 2019. Hired labor expenses in Delaware accounted for 45% of the total production expenses. Of the 340 hired workers in Delaware, 62 worked less than 150 days compared to 278 who worked 150 days or more.

The 2019 Horticulture Census is a special study conducted by U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) and is part of the 2017 Census of Agriculture program.

For the complete "2019 Census of Horticultural Specialties" summary go to: https://www.nass.usda.gov/Publications/AgCensus/2017/Online_Resources/Census_of_Horticulture_Specialties/ index.php

The "2019 Census of Horticultural Specialties" report and all other NASS reports are available online at: www.nass.usda.gov

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